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SECDEF FOR OUSDRE(C3I)

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SUBJECT: INTEROPERABILITY OF TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS

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1. AS REQUESTED BY MR. GRAY, OUSDRE(C3I), BY TELECOM, MISSION HAS DISCUSSED POSSIBILITIES OF A SUB-GROUP 1 (SG/1) MEETING OF THE TSGCEE DURING THE WEEK OF 6 MAR WITH TSGCEE CHAIRMAN (SPENCER) AND WITH ALTERNATE GERMAN TSGCEE MEMBER (SPITZ).
2. SPENCER HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO AN EARLY MEETING OF SG/1. HIS STAFF QUERIED NATO HQS, SHAPE HQS, AND STC TO DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF CONFERENCE FACILITIES WITH SIMULTANEOUS FRENCH-ENGLISH TRANSLATION. NONE ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEKS OF 6 OR 13 MAR 78.
3. GERMANY AGREES TO PROVIDE A SG/1 REP IF AN EARLY MEETING IS SCHEDULED.

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4. IN ELABORATION OF OUR SUGGESTION IN REFTTEL, WE RECOMMEND THAT US TSGCEE MEMBER (SALTON) CABLE HIS TSGCEE COUNTERPARTS REQUESTING A SG/1 MEETING THE WEEK OF 6 MAR; AS SUGGESTED IN REFTTEL WE RECOMMEND WASHINGTON ALSO REQUEST AVAILABILITY OF NATIONAL CONFERENCE FACILITIES WITH SIMULTANEOUS FRENCH-ENGLISH TRANSLATION.

5. FYI. SPENCER ALSO INDICATED HIS INTENTION, IF
SG/1 CANNOT MEET UNTIL 10 APRIL AND IF THEY COMPLETE
WORK BY 14 APRIL, TO PUBLISH (IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH)
A SHORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
TSGCEE TO THE CNAD IN TIME FOR NEXT CNAD MEETING. HE
HOPES TO GET NATIONAL TSGCEE REPS TO COMMENT ON SUMMARY
REPORT DIRECTLY TO THEIR NATIONAL CNAD REPS. END FYI.
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